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an ROP entry enabled in said one or more program instructions, thereby  
activating printer capability of said one or more program instructions.

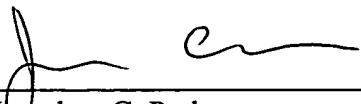
REMARKS

Applicants have herein amended claims 1, 9, and 14 to more particularly define the invention. Applicants submit that no new matter has been added.

CONCLUSION

Applicants respectfully request a Notice of Allowance for the pending claims in the present application. If the Examiner is of the opinion that the present application is in condition for disposition other than allowance, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below in order that the Examiner's concerns may be expeditiously addressed.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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**VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE**

**In the claims**

1. (Amended) A method of linking a read only printer (ROP) to a CSN (Compact Service Node) platform at a telecommunication facility, said method comprising:  
  
identifying a physical location of an unassigned hardware port on the CSN platform  
  
where said ROP is to be connected;  
  
locating a first software identification in a /dev/dty/ directory for said unassigned  
  
hardware port in one or more program instructions for said CSN platform,  
  
wherein said first software identification indicates how said unassigned hardware  
  
port is labeled in said one or more program instructions, and wherein said first  
software identification is “r0d” in the /dev/dty/ directory;  
  
locating a second software identification in said one or more program instructions,  
  
wherein said second software identification indicates a destination where data to  
  
be printed during operation of said CSN are to be sent by said one or more  
  
program instructions; and  
  
modifying said one or more program instructions so as to link said second software  
  
identification with said first software identification, thereby allowing said one or  
  
more program instructions to recognize said unassigned hardware port as said  
  
destination for said data to be printed.
9. (Amended) A telecommunication facility comprising:  
  
a read only printer (ROP) having a data input port; and  
  
a compact service node (CSN) having:  
  
a hardware port configured to be connected to said data input port at said ROP

via a printer cable, wherein said printer cable is configured to transmit data from said hardware port to said data input port at said ROP, and one or more program instructions stored in a memory for said CSN, wherein said one or more program instructions are configured to have:

a first software identification linked with a second software identification so as to allow said one or more program instructions to recognize said hardware port as a destination for data to be printed during operation of said CSN, wherein said first software identification indicates how said hardware port is labeled in said one or more program instructions, wherein said first software identification is "r0d" in a /dev/dty/ directory, and wherein said second software identification indicates said destination, and

an ROP entry enabled in said one or more program instructions, thereby activating printer capability of said one or more program instructions.

14. (Amended) A CSN (Compact Service Node) platform at a telecommunication facility, wherein said CSN platform includes:
- an RS232 port configured to be connected to a data input port at a read only printer via a printer cable, wherein said printer cable is configured to transmit data from said RS232 port to said data input port at said ROP; and
- one or more program instructions stored in a memory for said CSN platform, wherein said one or more program instructions are configured to have:
- a first software identification linked with a second software identification so as to

allow said one or more program instructions to recognize said RS232 port as a destination for data to be printed during operation of said CSN platform, wherein said first software identification indicates how said RS232 port is labeled in said one or more program instructions, wherein said first software identification is "r0d" in a /dev/dty/ directory, and wherein said second software identification indicates said destination, and an ROP entry enabled in said one or more program instructions, thereby activating printer capability of said one or more program instructions.